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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

FROM : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities

A. PROJECTS IN PROCESS

1. CIA's Presentation to the NWC

The draft of the welcoming remarks by the DDCI to the staff, faculty and student body of the National War College is in process 25X1 and is scheduled for completion by 9 August.

3. Presentation to Agency Reservists

W C/PPS has been requested to assist in the preparation of General Cabell's presentation to Agency reservists on 9 September on the subject of Planning for the Mobilization of Agency Reservists in War-time.

4. OTR Activities Report

A draft of the monthly OTR activities report to the Deputy Director of Support has been prepared and forwarded to DTR's office.

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**5. Employee Suggestions**

a. The proposal to reduce the Agency's printing costs by increasing the number of lines on a printed page, but not lessening the margins nor decreasing the space between the lines was processed for review, approved and forwarded to the Executive Secretary of the Suggestion Awards Committee.

b. A second suggestion to provide scheduled lectures on security particularly, so as to assist the "provisional" in the "pool" in his adjustment to the "way of life" in the Agency, has been reviewed and rejected. Comments have been prepared for the Executive Secretary/SAC.

**B. NEW PROJECTS**

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**1. External Training as a Recruitment Inducement**

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[redacted] Office of Communications, and [redacted] Office of Personnel, Communications Placement Officer, asked for an informal OTR opinion on the policy question of using the Agency's external training authority in the recruitment of certain categories of technical and scientific personnel which we now find hard to get. Specifically, O/Communications would like to assure potential recruits that the Agency will provide them with external training leading to graduate degrees at Government expense some time after they enter on duty. I pointed out that this would require a policy decision, probably at the CIA Career Council level, and, further, that [redacted] could introduce this question on the agenda of the Career Council or he could ask the Director of Training or the Director of Personnel to do so. I further advised them that this action was necessary because the current policy of external training specifically rules against the use of such facilities where the primary purpose is to obtain a degree for the individual rather than to prepare him for a specific duty assignment. I further suggested that TSS and OSI probably face the same problem of high competition for certain categories of technical and scientific personnel. I recommended that the views of these offices be obtained before seeking Career Council action on the proposal if [redacted] agrees to raise this question officially. [redacted] agreed to pursue the subject along the above lines and advise us of [redacted] reaction to the proposal.

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**2. Fingerprint Identification System**

Chief of the Operations School has been advised that PPC has set up a meeting for 16 August at 0930 to consider Agency capabilities for employing the fingerprint identification system contained in the recent manual on this subject which was developed jointly by OTR and PP Staff representatives. The Navy Department has expressed interest in these techniques and wants joint action by CIA and the Navy in putting the system into effect. The purpose of OTR's representation at the meeting will be to explain the system in detail and, undoubtedly, to respond to the query: Can OTR handle the training requirement to put the system into effect? C/OS has suggested that [redacted] and C/PPS represent OTR at this meeting. C/PPS will arrange a meeting with DTR and C/OS to discuss this problem prior to 16 August, at the convenience of the DTR. 25X1

**C. PERSONNEL**

[redacted] returned to duty on 5 August following his completion of the Armed Forces Staff College course and an annual leave. 25X1



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